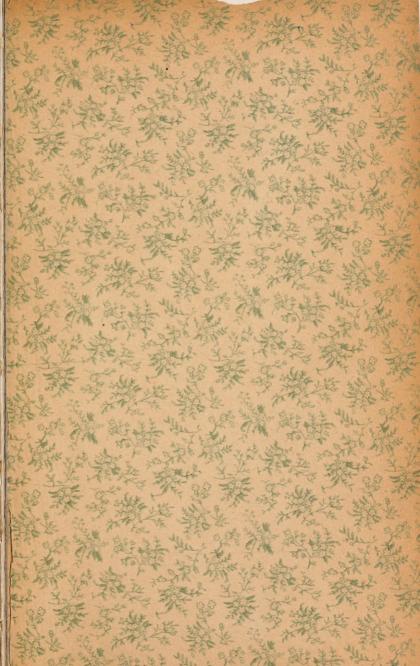


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"MYSELF UND GOTT"

THE COMPLETE POEM PUBLISHED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THIS COUNTRY

THE now famous poem which was published in the HERALD some few months ago, and which was recited by Captain Coghlan during his famous speech, was written under peculiar circumstances in Montreal in October, 1897. The poem as it was in the original consisted of thirteen verses, not eight, as published throughout the world during the last two years.

The occasion upon which the poem was written was the Emperor William's speech upon the divine right of kings and his own special mission upon earth. At that time A. M. R. Gordon, a Scotchman by birth, and whose real name was A. McGregor Rose, was a member of the Montreal Herald staff. He had been in the habit of writing verses upon different subjects, and was looked upon as a very bright fellow indeed. The city editor, turning to him, said:

"Give us a poem, Gordon, on the Emperor."

In less than an hour's time he turned out thirteen verses, which were entitled by him "Kaiser & Co.," not "Hoch der Kaiser." The matter was sent up to the printer just as it was written, and by some mistake the foreman of the composing room only picked up eight verses in type, leaving the other five verses on the galley. The paper went to press and Gordon, who was very particular about his matter being strictly correct, got one of the first copies off the press. He at once saw the mistake and the form was re-cast, not, however, before a few hundred had been sent into the mailing room for the foreign mails. Thus the fact that only eight verses were copied in the papers which printed the poem at the time. In the second edition it was given in full and signed A. M. R. Gordon,

A few months ago Gordon's mind commenced to fail, and he was finally taken by a few of his newspaper friends to Notre Dame Hospital. For weeks he lay as helpless as a child and unable to recognize any one. Finally he passed away and was buried by those who had enjoyed his society. After this, some inquiries were made as to who he was, and it was found that he came originally from Scotland. after having quarreled with his wife. He worked for a short time some twelve years ago on the New York Herald, and afterward drifted all over the country, spending several years in San Francisco. He then went to Montreal and remained there until the time of his death .- The New York Herald.



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"Myself und Gott."

ER Kaiser of dis Fatherland

Und Gott on high all dings command,

Ve two—ach! Don't you understand?

Myself—und Gott.



"Und mein own Embire don'd vas shmall."

E reigns in Heafen and always shall,

Und mein own Embire don'd vas shmall.

Ein noble bair I dinks you call

Myself—und Gott.



"Mein soldiers sing 'Der Wacht am Rhein."

ILE some men sing der power divine,

Mein soldiers sing "Der Wacht am Rhein"

Und drink der health in a Rheinish wine

Of Me—und Gott.



"Dere's France she swaggers all aroundt."

ERE'S France, she swaggers all aroundt,
She's ausgesspieldt,
To much we think she don't amount,
Myself—und Gott.



"She vill not dare to fight again."

HE vill not dare to fight again,

But if she shouldt, I'll show her blain

Dot Elsass (und in French) Lorraine

Are mein—by Gott.



"Uon Bismarck vas a man auf might."

ON BISMARCK vas a man auf might
Und dought he vas glear oud auf sight,
But ach! he vas nicht good to fight
Mit Me—und Gott.



"Ue knock him like ein man of sdraw."

E knock him like ein man auf sdraw,

Ve let him know whose vill vas law,

Und dot ve don'd vould sdand his jaw,

Meinself—und Gott.



"Ue send him oudt in big disgrace."

Ve gif him insuldt to his face,
Und put Caprivi in his place,
Meinself—und Gott.



J-A.WALKER

"Ue very brombtly on him set."

ND ven Caprivi get svelled hedt
Ve very brombtly on him set,
Und toldt him to get up and get,
Meinself—und Gott.



"Mit Boers und such she interfere."

DERE'S grandma dinks she is nicht small beer,

Mit Boers und such she interfere;
She'll learn none owns dis hemisphere,
But Me—und Gott.



"She dinks, good frau, some ships she's got."

HE dinks, good frau, some ships she's got, Und soldiers mit der scarlet goat.

Ach! We could knock them! Pouf! Like dat,

Myself-mit Gott!



"I bear the spear and helm of Mars."

N dimes of peace brebare for wars,

I bear the spear and helm of Mars,

Und care not for den thousand Czars,

Myself—mit Gott!



JESSIE A-WAIKER

"With aspect dark und visage grim."

N fact, I humor efry whim,

With aspect dark and visage grim;

Gott pulls mit me, und I mit him,

Myself—und Gott!

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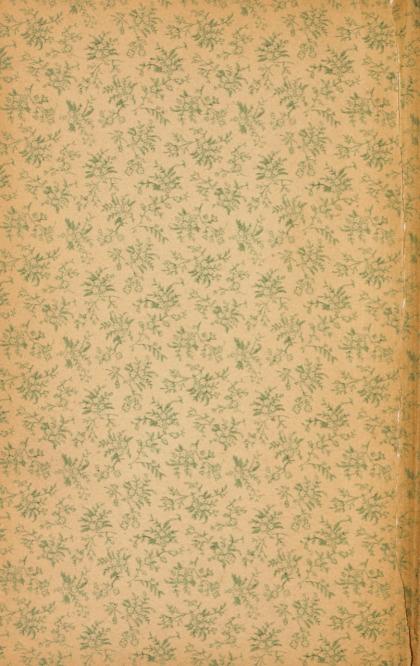
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